## Landscape Design for Public Parks of Washington

O you know that I believe Mr. Burnap, "and we have only to follow him, in that respect, making good the ravages of time and the elements. But within the past decade landscape architecture has become an important feature of municipal art, and the city which does not make an effort for its landscape improvement along the most advanced lines is behind the times."

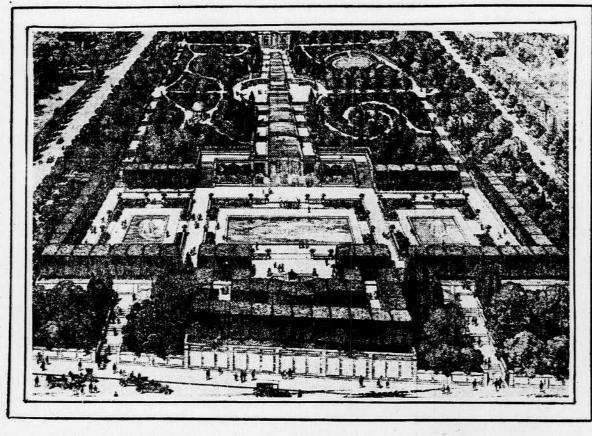
Massachuse a seeming this avenue made a seemingly endless pleached walk for as far as the eye could reach in both directions; the White House completed the lovely vista on the south, and at that twilight hour north 16th street presented its best aspect of green and gracious affluence.

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THE NEW DESIGN FOR MERIDIAN HILL PARK, ON WHICH WORK HAS JUST STARTED.

to Washington. It is the osmanthus, a plant similar to holly, but which can be transplanted and grown much more easily. It has been known for some time to grow well in this climate, but has not been in commercial use before. The present plants were imported from Holland.

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"If I had done no more than introduction the duce this plant for the year-around beautifying of Washington I should feel that my stay here had been worth while. I think the best showing of the year and other objects of interest. It will parks in Washington, but something full-grown specimen of this plant to be seen is about the new lodge in Judiciary Park. It gives a beautiful evergreen hedge, which Washington needs to

as our design can be carried out. It will be of the English pastoral type and is already very beautiful.

GEORGE BURNAP.

Landscape architect, who, under Col. Harts, is putting design into the Washington parks and public grounds. (Photo by Clinediust.)
Interesting feature of our work. There are now three playgrounds in the city that have been laid out according to landscape plans prepared in this office. One is in Garfield Park; another is known as the Virginia avenue playground, and the third is the playground, and the third is the playground, and the third is the playground in Willow Tree alley, in which Mrs. Wilson took especial interest. I am firmly convinced that design and orderly arrangement are bound to have an effect on the minds of the children and that there will be a psychological result for the good of the children in

'Italy excels in private gardens, and all her parks partake of a garden character. Indeed, many of the parks of her cities are converted private gardens acquired by the municipalities. It seems strange, but the parks in Rome today are passing through the same sort of transition as our own When I was in Europe last year studying the parks of the larger cities ! found that the director of parks in Rome had almost similar views in landscape architecture to those we have in Washington. It seemed strange to find an old, complete city commenc ing new projects in design.

The director of parks in makes it a part of his year's duty to

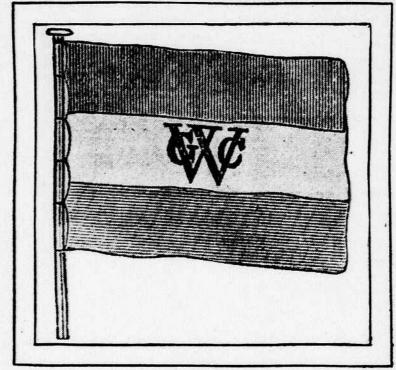


# Where Designer of Flag Obtained Idea for the Use of Stars and Stripes

Horse Troop in 1775, George Washington's Coat-of-Arms and the Old Dutch Banner-Five

and Six Pointed Stars—Alternate Red and White Stripes Specified by Congress.

Three Proposed Sources of the Birth of Design-Flag Carried by Philadelphia Light



OLD DUTCH WEST INDIA FLAG. THOUGHT BY SOME TO HAVE SUGGESTED USE OF STRIPES IN THE UNITED STATES FLAG.

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stom and heraldry. While the designers of the flag followed the European custom and heraldry. The star, in the heraldric language of England is sixpointed, while in the heraldry of Holland. France and Germany it is five-pointed.

Whether the stars on the flag should be five-pointed or six-pointed seems to have been settled by Dame Betsy Ross, who is credited with actually making and partially designing the first flag in her little upholstery shop on Arch street, Philadelphia. Historical records and testimony were accumulated nearly a half century ago by William J. Canby and presented to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, showing that his maternal grands, showing that his maternal grands mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, was visited in June, 1776, by a committee of the American states, continental Congress, accompanied by from Holland came the Pilgrim fath-

HY are the stars on the United ed States flag five-pointed, while those on the United States coins have, for the most part, been six-pointed; and what is the origin of the stripes on the flag? These are questions that have caused much interesting research during the 138 years of the Stars and Stripes' existence.

Preponderance of opinion seems to be that the thirteen stripes on the national emblem originated in Philadelphia, being taken from the standard of the

emblem originated in Philadelphia, being taken from the standard of the Philadelphia Light Horse Troop, 1775, although there are many who contend that the idea of stars and stripes in the flag were specified by Congress. The first legislative action of which there is any record for the establishment of a national flag is that Saturday, June 14, 1777, when the American Congress resolved: "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constonant of the designers of our stellation."

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BOOK PLATE, SHOWING THE STARS AND

of the thirteen stripes being used upon an American flag is upon the standard presented to the Philadelphia Troop of Light Horse in 1775 by its retiring captain, Abraham Markoe, and it seems very probable that the stripes in this standard prompted their use in the flag which was first unfurled by Gen. Washington over his headquarters in Cambridge, January 2, 1776.

It is believed that this standard was carried by the troop June 21, 1775, when it acted as escort for Gen. Washington from Philadelphia to New York as he was going, accompanied by Gens. Lee and Schuyler, to take command of the army at Cambridge. As it thus would have been a new flag, it would be likely that it arrested the attention of Gen. Washington. As Col. Joseph Reed, Washington's military secretary, was a resident of Philadelphia to Washington that these stripes be copied in the colonial flag.

Col. Reed was secretary of the committee on conference sent by Congress to arrange the organization of the army with Washington, and himself to arrange the organization of the army with Washington, and himself to a reange the organization of the army with Washington, and himself those troop on all important occasions until 1830, when old age and danger



STANDARD OF THE PHILADELPHIA LIGHT HORSE TROOP, 1775, WHICH ESCORTED WASHINGTON TO NEW YORK WHEN HE WAS EN ROUTE
TO TAKE COMMAND OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY AT CAMBRIDGE,
MASS., AND WHICH PREPONDERANCE OF OPINION ACCORDS THE DISTINCTION OF HAVING FATHERED THE STARS AND STRIPES.

Cure for drunkenness.

This young man complained bitterly
table-land."

Tellevon in it? How can I help belevin in it? the town drunkard said,
excitedly. 'Ain't it cured me nine
seed. "Only, you see, your station in
on one of the legs." TINCTION OF HAVING FATHERED THE STARS AND STRIPES.

Washington to New York, and afterwards fought honorably under this famous standard of theirs at Trenton and Princeton.

The flag was presented to the troop by Capt. Markoe in 1775, when he was forced to resign the captaincy by an edict of Christian VIII of Denmark forbidding his subjects to participate in any action against Great Britain.

Charles J. Lukens of Philadelphia in 1871, in a lecture on "The Heraldry of the American Flag," argues that the Light Horse standard bears intrinsic evidence of having existed before the adoption of "The Star Spangled Ban-"

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ODAY the United States fing flies over millions of schoolhouses, in every city, town and hamlet, throughout the United States, Porto Rico, Hawali and the Philippines. On

### Germany's Deal.

JUDGE VICTOR H. ROCKWELL said at a banquet in Washington:
"Germany's defense of the Lusitania, Much discussion has occurred among zoologists as to the origin of disat a banquet in Washington;

wouldn't have caused me to despair.

"In the Hannibal House the town drunkard was expatiating over a whisky toddy on the virtues of the apple cure for drunkenness.

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The First United States Flag raised over a public school was floated in May, 1812, from a log schoolhouse which stood on this place.

raised over a public school was soluted and the pupils standing give a military salute and in chorus slowly mand distinctly repeat:

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The distinction of antedating all other schoolhouses in raising the flag belongs to a little log schoolhouse on Catamount hill, Colrain, Mass., in May, 1812, from a log schoolhouse on Catamount hill, Colrain, Mass., in May, 1812, from a log schoolhouse on Catamount hill, Colrain, Mass., in May, 1812, from a log on Fort Sumter had been fired upon a flag was raised over the flag on Fort Sumter had been fired upon and justice for all."

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## Arabian Horses in Ireland.

the declaration of her 'good right' to tinctively oriental characteristics continue such deeds, reminds me of the among the horses of Ireland. Many Tin Can bartender.

"A tenderfoot in Tin Can put down his glass of beer excitedly and murmured to the bartender:

"That red-mustached rascal in the pink shirt over there—he just dealt himself four aces from the bottom of mains of Irish horses from bogs, caves and crannogs many of which he had mains of Irish horses from bogs, caves and crannogs, many of which he believes to have been wild horses, and he finds that these are quite as Arabian in their forms as any of the modern horses of Ireland, and even more so.

The Apple Cure.

SECRETARY BRYAN, congratulated on his success as a temperance re-

on his success as a temperance reformer, said:

"Well, I never despair. I never de"You believe in this cure, do you?"
spair even in the most desperate case.
Why, the Hannibal town drunkard rouldn't have caused me to desperate rouldn't have caused me to despera